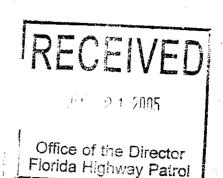
July 18, 2005

Col. Christopher A. Knight
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Dear Col. Knight:

My son, Cpl Michael J. Michaud, is a proud member of the Florida Highway Patrol Troop F, Venice District and has spoken very highly of you. Sir, sadly, Mike's beloved mother, Katharina, passed way during the early evening hours of July 1, 2005 after a courageous eleven year battle with cancer. Mike's mother spent the final hours of her life at the Peace River Regional Medical Center in Port Charlotte surrounded by her family and visiting members of the Florida Highway Patrol.

We would like to express our most sincere appreciation and gratitude for the support, encouragement and honor displayed by both FHP Troopers and auxiliary members during this difficult time. We were deeply honored by the presence of the FHP at the hospital and particularly during the viewing and the funeral service at which time six members of your organization served as pallbearers.

Our family was deeply touched by the presence, integrity, and professionalism displayed by the following individuals during this very sad occasion:

Maj. Rebecca P. Tharpe Tpr. Edward P. Pope John Prescott, FHP-A Capt. James B. Darby Tpr. Jeff Van Arsdale Payton Klopfenstein, FHP-A Lt. John Donovan Tpr. Alan Williams Sqt. Mark Brown Tpr. Jennifer Drake Sgt Conner B. Cardwell Sgt. Herbert R. Head Robert Rice, FHP-A Cpl. Duane L. Rolli Joe Douthett, FHP-A Cpl. Cale R. Stevens Wade Osborn, FHP-A Cpl. David E. Staley Don Cannon, FHP-A Cpl. Jacquline Stevens George F. Brown, FHP-A

As demonstrated by the actions of the above listed individuals you have a very fine origanization Col Knight. It reminded me so much of of my two decades of air force active duty, the esprit de corps so evident in your fine young men and women is a tribute to your leadership. Again, please convey my family's heartfelt gratitude and thanks.

Jone Michaud